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TWO CENTS.

## RELEASE OF SOLDIERS RELIEVES THE TENSION

But Has Not Removed the Grave Menace to the Continuance of Friendly Relations Between the United States and the de Facto Government of Mexico

## CARRANZA HAS YET MET ONLY A SINGLE DEMAND

Spurring Up of Mobilization Will Be Continued—New Mexican Guardsmen Cross Border—International Bridge Where ex-Prisoners Are Expected to Cross Closely Guarded

WASHINGTON, June 29.—The release of American troops captured at Carrizal removed one dangerous element in Mexican situation, but it was apparent today that it had only somewhat relieved and had not removed the grave menace to the continuance of friendly relations between the United States and the Mexican government. By freeing the prisoners Carranza met only one demand—the other, that Carranza declare his attitude toward the American forces Mexico, remains unanswered as yet. reply was expected today.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—It was apparent today the war and state departments made the situation less critical. It had effect, however, on efforts to speed mobilization of the National Guard to the international line and to further adequate supply of war material to any emergency. Even should the Mexican reply disclaim any hostile intentions, withdrawal orders to Carranza military maneuvers offensive to the United States border patrol would be maintained the strength now contemplated waning danger from the landings continues.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Mexican Ambassador Arredondo today received message from the Mexican foreign minister confirming the statement that Carranza had issued orders to General Trevino to release the American troops captured at Carrizal and since held prisoners at Huamantla City. Official announcement Carranza's orders for the release of American troops reached the state department early today from Special Agent at Mexico City. When he sent message last night Mr. Rogers expected to be handed a reply to the American at any moment.

### FED ON OUTPOST.

American Did Not Follow Up Mexes Near Brownsville.

BROWNVILLE, Texas, June 29.—A military outpost stationed west of Brownsville was hit upon by two Mexicans last night. The Americans returned the fire, but did not follow up the attack, expecting a heavier attack. None of the Americans were hit.

### Centre Congregational Church

Friday, June 30, at 7:30 p. m.—Midweek meeting of the church. God in the World Outdoors. Psalm 104.

Any persons having old-fashioned costumes or any articles of wearing apparel which they are willing to loan for use in the pageant to be given on Wednesday, July 5, in connection with the Centre church centennial are asked to notify Miss Emma J. Gagg, telephone 281-R, or Miss Florence Hemmaway-Wells, telephone 30.

## 6 Barbers 6

Now in the great white shop—the one shop of perfect sanitation.

BROOKS HOUSE SANITARY BARBER SHOP  
A Real Shine Artist Here

## ARE LIABLE TO COURT MARTIAL

Trouble of the Soldiers Who Refused to Take Oath Not Yet Ended

## JUDGES' DISCHARGE DECLARED ILLEGAL

War Department Notifies Adj. Gen. Cole of the Penalty When a Militiaman Refuses to Be Mustered Into the Federal Service.

BOSTON, June 29.—Adjutant General Charles H. Cole announced today that he had received a communication from the war department notifying him that the judges' discharge granted members of the militia who refused to take the federal oath or members with dependent families were illegal. The communication called attention to a section of the law which provides that a militiaman who refuses to be mustered into the federal service upon demand of the President shall be subject to court martial.

The adjutant general issued orders later that all members of the Fifth regiment of infantry, the Coast Artillery corps and First Corps cadets infantry should be asked to take the new oath and to be mustered into the federal service before July 1. The several companies will gather at their armories for this purpose.

## INTENSITY CONTINUES ON THE VERDUN FRONT

Another Powerful Attack by the Germans Northwest of Thiaumont Checked Last Night.

LONDON, June 29.—Heavy fighting in other sectors of the front has not caused the intensity of the struggle at Verdun to diminish. Another powerful attack was delivered last night by the Germans northwest of Thiaumont. Like the preceding assault, this was checked. The Paris war office declares, by the French artillery and machine gun fire, which decimated the German ranks. The British are continuing their artillery fire and trench raids all along their extended front in France and Flanders. The latest Teutonic successes in the Volturno district was the capture of Lunewka, which means that the Russians have been pushed back across the river Stokhod. Lunewka is 23 miles southeast of Kovel, the railway junction point, which has been the objective of the Russians in their drive.

## NEW FIRE CHIEF TAKES HIS OFFICE

Frank C. Streeter Now in Charge of Department—Assistant Chief Albert A. Smith Resigns.

The keys, papers and other property belonging to the fire department were turned over last evening to Chief Engineer Frank C. Streeter by the retiring chief, Harvey W. Sanders. At the fire department headquarters, Mr. Sanders was notified to turn over the property at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, that being the hour fixed by the commissioners for the new chief to take the office, but as no one had come to the engine house to take the property at 2:30 o'clock Chief Sanders by authority of one of the commissioners retained the office until last evening. Assistant Chief Albert A. Smith tendered to Chief Streeter his resignation last evening. Mr. Smith joined the department as one of the police brigade at the time of the Revere House fire and joined No. 3 company in 1878. For about 30 years he has been an assistant chief.

### MANY MORE PRISONERS.

Russians Report Capture of More Than 10,000, 221 Being Officers.

PETROGRAD, June 29.—Russian troops fighting in Volynia and Galicia yesterday took prisoners 221 officers and 10,285 men, says an official statement issued today by the war department.

### ATTACKS REPULSED.

Germans Claim General Defeats for the French and British.

BERLIN, June 29.—The fighting on the western front attained proportions of considerable violence yesterday and last night, the war office announced today, but the attacks of the British and French were repulsed everywhere.

## NIGHT RAIDS ON TRENCHES

British Operation Carried on to an Extent Not Attempted Before

## GAS AND SMOKE ARE USED SUCCESSFULLY

Raiding Parties Under Cover of Bombardment Rush the Trenches of the Germans, Inflicting Losses and Bring Back Prisoners.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Wednesday, via London, June 29.—Unusually heavy artillery firing, with numbers of trench raids, have continued all along the British front during the last 24 hours.

The British used both gas and smoke to cover their trench raids. The Germans retaliated by a bombardment of the Canadian positions at Observatory ridge and Sorrel hill. The ease with which the raiding parties under cover of the bombardment can rush a trench of the enemy, inflicting losses and bring back prisoners, is such that it has become systematic nightly business along the whole front. In the last few days on a scale not attempted before.

## PRESENT NO TIME FOR MEDIATION

Carranza's Reply Must Be Received Before Good Offices Are Given Consideration.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Minister Calderon of Bolivia and Minister Zaldivar of Salvador called at the state department today to renew their efforts to learn whether the United States would entertain an offer of mediation in the Mexican difficulty. Mr. Calderon talked with Secretary Lansing about five minutes. Afterwards he said he had been told the United States would not discuss mediation in the absence of information that the American prisoners actually had been released and as to Carranza's reply to the demand of a statement of his intentions toward the expedition in Mexico. The minister reminded Mr. Lansing of the interest of all American republics in preserving peace and said he would call again when Carranza's reply to the note of the United States had been received.

### GRADUATION AT VERMONT.

Degrees Awarded to 91 Undergraduates Yesterday.

BURLINGTON, June 29.—The 112th commencement exercises of the University of Vermont were held yesterday. Degrees were awarded to 91 young men and women. Of these 51 were in the department of arts and sciences, 14 in the college of medicine, 19 in the civil engineering department and seven in the department of agriculture. The Bissell prize for progress went to Abner G. Bristol of West Townshend.

The honor men in medicine were Edward Olsson, Douglas J. Roberts, H. J. Roberts, Maurice E. Lord, Joseph A. Cimera.

The Woodbury prize was divided between H. J. Kelley of Danbury, Mass., and T. S. Flynn of Woonsocket, R. I.

Cum laude honors in the academic department were awarded to Charlotte Pierpont, Augustine M. LaRoche, Loretta E. Dyke, Marjorie E. Luce, Clement C. Smith, Raymond H. Grismer, Helen E. Butler, Amy D. Scavoy, Robert N. Pease, Laura B. Porter, Walter S. Weeks, Constance Votey.

Post graduate degrees were: M. S., Ramon C. Downing, Lewis H. Flint, Hazel H. Riley; Ph. D., A. K. Peterson.

The following honorary degrees were conferred: Doctor of laws, Alexander Meiklejohn, president of Amherst college; George Harvey of New York, editor of the North American Review; Charles P. Smith of Burlington; doctor of humanities, Darwin P. Kingsley of New York, '81, president of the New York Life Insurance company; doctor of science, Fred H. Albee of New York; master of arts, Jean A. C. Bull of Whitford, Pa.; I. G. Sargent of Paterson, N. J.

### RYAN MAKES CORRECTION.

Says Statement that \$5 Was in Pocket of Uniform Was Untrue.

Editor of The Reformer:—May I correct a statement made in your paper yesterday, in regard to the suit of clothes which was exchanged for a U. S. uniform? Godfrey Crosby asked me as a favor to let him have my uniform (which I was entitled to wear home) and wear his clothes instead and leave them in Mr. Crosby's office, which I have done.

As for the \$5 you state was in the pocket, that is not true, for I have no right to accept money for a U. S. uniform.

Yours very truly,  
ALFRED J. RYAN.  
Brattleboro, June 29, 1916.

## COMPANY I IN FINE SPIRITS

Reached Toledo, O., at Midnight Last Night on Way to Border

## ROOKIES SORRY AT BEING LEFT BEHIND

Expect to Leave State in About Another Week—About 125 Men in Camp—Col. Reeves Says Vermont Regiment Is Best He Has Seen.

(Special to The Reformer.)

STATE CAMP GROUND, June 29.—Capt. Ernest W. Gibson of Company I, in connection with two other officers, is putting in long hours each day in drilling squads of rookies and in getting the recruits in camp equipped for the future work before them. Everyone expects to be ordered to leave within a week. Although no active recruiting is going on recruits are daily coming into camp and being assigned to awkward squads and started on their work of preparation.

There were busy scenes in camp when the officers received orders about midnight Sunday to strike camp and prepare to entrain. All night long the officers worked, signing papers and orders. The men were examined during the day, and everyone who passed was fully equipped for the field.

At 2 p. m. every tent was down and the whole company in marching order. The trucks arrived about 5 p. m. and transported the supplies and baggage to the train.

There were few rations in the company, and no cooking outfits available, but there was no complaining. The men were enthusiastic over the prospect of leaving, and there was singing and dancing galore. The wise ones, however, crawled under their pup tents in the endeavor to sleep.

A large squad of rookies arrived just before falling in for parade, and were cheered lustily. There was some surprise that Captain Gibson did not arrive with them, but he came on a later train with Artillery Pellet.

Lieut. Spaulding and 2d Lieut. Miner handled the company in a proficient and successful manner, which speaks well for their executive and military ability. The regiment was ordered to march soon after 10 a. m. leaving in three battalions. Company I was in the battalion composed of Companies M, L, K and this section moved first, going to the barracks.

There are left in camp about 125 recruits and more are arriving every day. The company is represented by about 25 men. The cook tent is in charge of Cook Wayland Graves, he being left because of the fact that his foot, which was hurt last winter, is causing him trouble. The rookies were all disappointed that they were not permitted to go along with the company.

Charles Herrick and Harold Frederickson are enlisted with the Second Cavalry, in which Lieut. Robert Knowlton and Sergt. Louis Hamilton are enrolled.

The Vermont regiment was at Toledo, O., last night at midnight, having made excellent time during the day yesterday. The regiment traveled across Indiana today and the next big city they were due to reach was Chicago.

Letters and post cards from members of Company I, now enroute to the Texas border, are being received in town by relatives. All of them are the very briefest of communications, for the boys are traveling through territory new to most of them and are meeting with receptions at every station. They all report the morale of the company and battalion as the very highest and that everyone is well and in the best of spirits.

Two or three of them report that Col. Ira L. Reeves, commanding the regiment, has said repeatedly that the 1st Vermont regiment is the best militia regiment in the United States. He has ever seen and he has no hesitancy in ranking Company I as the leading company in the best regiment.

Dana H. Gilman, formerly captain of Company I, telegraphed from Sedalia, Missouri, last evening to E. H. Crane, advise route first regiment and leaving time if St. Louis. As the route planned for the soldiers did not include St. Louis, the following reply was sent: "Regiment going via Kansas City. Probably leave Chicago Thursday morning." As Sedalia is between St. Louis and Kansas City, Captain Gilman undoubtedly will meet his old company there and it is a safe bet that the boys will be mighty glad to see him.

Julius Keuch left this morning at 11:11 o'clock for the state camp. Several other local boys are reported to be preparing to enlist.

## CASEMENT FACES DEATH

Sir Roger Found Guilty of Treason by the High Court in London

## HIS ACCOMPLICE WAS DISCHARGED

Jury Out Less Than an Hour Before Bringing in Verdict, and the Lord Chief Justice Then Pronounced the Death Sentence.

LONDON, June 29.—Sir Roger Case-

ment was found guilty of treason in the high court today.

Later Sir Roger was sentenced to death. The ending of this historic trial came shortly before 4 o'clock, when the jury, which had been out less than an hour, brought in a verdict.

Today's session of the court was given over to the arguments of the counsel and the charge to the jury.

Sir Roger's chief counsel, Alex. Sutherland, who collapsed in court yesterday, was unable to appear and his argument was taken up by Assistant Counsel Jones for the defense.

The attorney general, Sir Frederick Smith, summed up the case for the prosecution, after which the Lord Chief Justice delivered his charge.

After Sir Roger had been sentenced Daniel J. Bailey, the private soldier who had been held as his accomplice, was placed in dock. The Chief Justice directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty and Bailey was discharged.

Casement was charged with having tried, while in Germany, to induce Irish prisoners held by the Germans to take up arms against Great Britain. He was also closely connected with the recent revolt in Ireland, and was captured after he had landed from a German ship which brought arms to the Irish revolutionists.

## PLANNING SEWING FOR COMPANY I BOYS

Soldiers' Aid Society Secures Hooker House for Headquarters—Women Will Hold Meeting Soon.

The use of the Hooker home on Main street for the work of the Soldiers' Aid society, organized last week, has been kindly given by the owner, John B. Manley, for the society's headquarters.

The society is planning to have a public meeting of women called soon to do sewing for the members of Company I, V. N. G. The first work probably will be on comfort bags. The date of the meeting will be announced.

Some of the women have gotten the impression that there are annual dues of \$1, which is not correct. There are no dues, and every woman interested is considered to be a member of the society.

Any case of need should be reported to Mrs. C. C. Fitts, chairman of the general committee. Boys have been placed in Root's pharmacy, the rest room and Masonic temple, where contributions of money for meeting some need on the part of some member of the company or his family may be placed, or they may be handed to Mrs. George F. Barber, treasurer of the Soldiers' Aid society.

### THE WEATHER.

Partly Cloudy Tonight and Friday—Moderate Northwest Winds.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—The weather forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday. Light to moderate northwest winds.

should be mentioned that the John A. Clune mentioned is not a member of the family of Mrs. James Clune of Brattleboro, who had one son, John J. Clune, who went with the regiment to Chickamauga in 1898, and has another, James Clune, in the present company on its way to the front. Cecil Streeter was the Streeter who refused to take the oath, Lyman H. Streeter, the barber, going with the company.

Relative to the enlistment of men in the National Guard from the postoffice service the following order has been issued by the postmaster general:

"In connection with the President's call upon certain organizations of the militia and National Guard to enter the military service of the United States, and in the event of further calls upon other militia or naval organizations for like purposes, it is hereby directed that upon application such officers and other employees of the postoffice department and postal service who may be members of such organizations, or who may enlist therein, be granted (as far as possible without serious impairment of the service) leaves of absence without pay. Where it becomes necessary to fill temporarily the position of any officer or other employee who is absent on such military or naval duty, the officer or employee will, if necessary, be dropped from the rolls without prejudice and will be reinstated to his former position and grade in accordance with civil service rules and regulations.

"Leaves of absence under like conditions will be granted upon application to the postmasters at offices which can be placed in charge of persons acceptable to the surities and to the department, such leave not to extend beyond the date of the expiration of the postmaster's commission."

## WILL OBSERVE CENTENNIAL

Congregational Celebration Begins with Unveiling of Marker July 5

## PROGRAM TO COVER PERIOD OF FIVE DAYS

Outdoor Pageant, Concert, Communion, Reminiscences, Exhibition, "Open House," Sermon and Historical Paper, Features of Observance.

Preparations are practically complete for the celebration of the centennial of the Centre Congregational church, which will make an era in the history of this church, the first to be organized in the east village of Brattleboro. The celebration will cover a period of five days next week, and in preparation for the occasion the church is now receiving its second coat of white paint. The change in color is recognized by all as a decided improvement. The interior of the chapel and parlors also are being done over.

The celebration will begin Wednesday afternoon, July 5, on the village common, where the church originally stood. At that time a granite marker with bronze table will be unveiled and dedicated, the service beginning at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Roy M. Houghton of New Haven, Conn., a former pastor, will give the address and there will be a Sunday school pageant showing the growth of the Sunday school, in which West Brattleboro people will join, this church having been organized by persons who left the church there. The public is invited to this service, which occurs on the exact centennial of the organization of the church.

On the following evening, Thursday, July 6, a concert will be given in the church at 8 o'clock, at which Mrs. Mary Howe Burton of Clinton, Mass., will sing and her brother, Lucien Howe of Boston, will be at the organ. On account of the limited capacity of the church it has been decided to admit only members of the Congregational parish and a few invited guests. Tickets will be issued, but no charge will be made for them.

The first communion of the church was held July 7, 1816, and on Friday afternoon at 4:30 a centennial communion service will be held in the church. Arrangements will be made for bringing the aged members of the parish to this service so that as many as possible of the parish family may be present. In the evening, of the same day, a service of reminiscences will be held at 7:30, at which as many as possible of the former pastors will speak. The living former pastors are Rev. S. H. Lee of Springfield, Mass., Rev. George E. Martin of Auburndale, Mass., and Rev. W. R. Miles and Rev. Roy M. Houghton of New Haven, Conn. All have written that they will be present at some part of the celebration.

In the chapel and parlors Saturday afternoon, July 8, from 3 to 6 o'clock, the parish will keep open house at the chapel and parlors. An exhibition of antiques and curios reflecting conditions 100 years ago will be held and refreshments will be served on the lawn.

On Sunday morning, July 9, Rev. Harry R. Miles of New Haven will preach the sermon which will be followed by the regular communion service. At 7 o'clock Sunday evening Walter A. Gilbert will give a historical paper covering the 100 years of church life in some of its phases, which will close the celebration. The public is invited to the services of the day.

There will be special music throughout the centenary, and if the weather is favorable the exercises are sure to be attended by a large number. Invitations are being sent to both resident and non-resident members.

The general committee for the celebration consists of Rev. Richard M. Clapp, chairman, Christie B. Crowell, George L. Dunham, Miss Florence M. Hemmaway-Wells, Mrs. Clarke C. Fitts, Walter A. Gilbert and Mrs. Charles H. Thompson.

Finance committee, George L. Dunham, Fred C. Brown, Francis E. Perry, Clarke C. Fitts and George M. Clay.

Program committee for dedicating of marker, Miss Emma J. Gregg, Miss Florence M. Hemmaway-Wells, Mrs. F. W. Kuech, Mrs. W. T. Haigh and Mrs. F. E. Perry.

Historical committee, Walter A. Gilbert and Mrs. Charles H. Thompson.

Music committee for the entertainment, Frederic C. Adams, Fred C. Leitsinger and George H. Clapp.

Committee on unique articles, Mrs. Leroy P. Adams, Miss Jessie L. Gregg and Miss Emma Dutton.

Committee on "open house," Mrs. M. Hemmaway-Wells, Miss Margaret E. Root, Miss Maud A. Brown, Mrs. Louis A. Whitney and E. H. Crane.

The artichoke, which originally came from Barbary, is not a botanical species, but a variety of the thistle, which grows spontaneously all along the African coast of the Mediterranean from Morocco to Palestine.